

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the previous amendments and the following remarks.

The specification is amended to address the issue raised in paragraph "2" of the Official Action without adding new matter. Withdrawal of the objection to the specification is therefore respectfully requested.

Appreciation is expressed to Examiner McCalister for acknowledging the allowability of Claims 1-6, 12, 13, 17 and 18. Claim 24, the only rejected claim, is cancelled. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance.

Early and favorable action with respect to this application is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application or should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference with the undersigned would be helpful

in resolving any remaining issues pertaining to this application the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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